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**Women's Health Month**

The Board of Supervisors assumes an active leadership role in annually proclaiming May as "Women's Health Month" to encourage women to adopt a healthy lifestyle by being active, eating smart, not smoking, and getting regular checkups.

During the month of May, there are many activities planned throughout the County to focus attention on the health issues of Los Angeles County women. The health and well-being of women is essential to the well-being of their families and their communities. Creating awareness of the impact of health inequities on low-income women and women of color and devising strategies to begin closing the health disparities gaps is a major focus of the Department of Public Health's Office of Women's Health.

On Saturday, May 9th, the day before Mother's Day, the Office of Women's Health is coordinating a combined effort to form a team with the Department of Public Health and Department of Health Services to participate in the Sixteenth Annual Revlon Run/Walk for Women which will be held at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. Proceeds from this event will support women's cancer research and women's health programs in Los Angeles County. The participation of County employees in the Run/Walk for Women will be invaluable in showing support and helping to fight women's cancers that affect so many in Los Angeles County.

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**I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

1. Proclaim **the month of May 2009 as “Women’s Health Month”**; and
2. Encourage County employees to participate in and support women’s health activities during May 2009, including the Revlon Run/Walk for Women scheduled for Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

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